

James is here, wonderfully better  
for his voyage. He spent yesterday  
with us, from 1 till 7 a, driving &  
dining, and I afterwards went  
with him to the Opera, after which,  
at 12 - he secured his in the  
least exhausted -

Lawford is here dying slowly,  
as his physicians think, of a Cancer.

His English friends are in kindest  
regards to your wife and your-  
self and I am as always

Very truly Yours

Geo. B. Edwards

*[Faint, mostly illegible handwriting]*

Paris, Mar. 31, 1857 -  
My Dear Dr. Gray,

I ought, many months ago, to have acknowledged  
your very great kindness in giving  
me such excellent letters of intro-  
duction. They have been more val-  
uable to me than anything I  
took from America.

Dr. Debandolle was very obliging,  
invited us to dine with him and  
showed me all his herbaria -  
the most interesting, a tropical  
crown in Switzerland -

Your letter to Dr. A. Braun then  
led his house to us, and favored  
me access to every thing in  
science that I had time to see  
in Berlin - A more excellent  
country I never saw before.

man or a more agreeable family  
is hardly to be found. We received  
much attention from them, and  
spent Christmas evening with  
them. Our acquaintance with  
them and with our admir-  
able minister at Berlin, Geo.  
Vroom, made our residence  
in that city, constantly pleas-  
ant. —

At Munich I became ac-  
quainted with Von Martens. He  
shows of us with great  
affection and admiration; and  
says that Mrs Gray is the most  
agreeable American lady he  
has ever seen. When I told  
him that you were a friend  
of mine, he became very kind,  
and showed me every attention

in his house. I saw his superb collec-  
tion of plants and all his other  
herbaria. —

I have not delivered your note  
to Mr. Deleport, because I was so  
unfortunate as to fail of getting  
the papers on Davis's Banks  
which you promised him. A gentle-  
man in Boston said he would let  
them for me, but probably did  
not succeed in finding me at  
the time of our departure. But  
I have seen almost every thing in  
Paris that I expected to see.

I wish I knew what I could  
do for you which would give  
you pleasure. If there is anything  
you want in England, a letter to  
me, care of the balment, No 26 -  
will secure my efforts to obtain it.